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For: Methods and Compositions for)
Monitoring Polymer Array Synthesis)

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed December 1, 1999. Kindly amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.

In the claims:

1. A method of monitoring polymer array synthesis on a solid substrate comprising:
- (i) synthesizing a preselected array of diverse polymers connected to cleavable linkers on a planar surface of solid substrate, whereby the diverse polymers occupy different regions of the substrate;

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